

Proposed Financial Provisions for 2007 Summer School Programs

1. As required by 511 IAC 12-2-1, each school corporation shall, on or before April 1, 2007, forward to the Department of Education a list of all classes to be offered in 2007 summer school and for which the corporation intends to seek reimbursement.
2. On May 15, 2007, the Department shall notify school corporations of the expected level of state reimbursement based on the lists submitted by all school corporations. **Courses Listed under the Category 1 summer school list of courses will be reimbursed at 105% of eligible costs (if supported by the appropriation).** These costs will be deducted from the total summer school appropriation and the remaining funds allocated to reimburse Category 2 eligible costs.
3. Eligible summer school costs include teacher salaries and instructional assistant wages. Fringe benefits are not included in computing eligible costs. The maximum reimbursement is 105% of eligible costs, reduced proportionately if the appropriation is not sufficient to fund all approved programs.
4. Teachers must be licensed by the Indiana Professional Standards Board.
5. Preschool and Kindergarten programs are not eligible for reimbursement.
6. Courses and curriculum programs for which reimbursement is sought must be tuition free to students with legal settlement in the corporation.
7. To be eligible for reimbursement, classes must have an average enrollment of at least 15 students or more in all classes. Two or more school corporations may cooperate with each other to meet this enrollment requirement. This requirement cannot be waived. Two or more groups of students may be combined into a single class, under a teacher of record, in order to meet this requirement, but only the salary of the teacher of record, and not the salary of any other teachers, may be included in computing eligible costs.¹
8. Students may take as many classes as local policy allows, but no student shall be counted in more than two classes for purposes of determining if the average enrollment requirement of 15 students has been met.
9. To be eligible for reimbursement, high school classes must meet for at least 75 hours per credit. This is not a student attendance requirement. Attendance policies remain matters of local control.
10. School corporations shall pay teachers in accordance with IC 20-6.1-4-8, which computes part-time service on the basis of 6 hours as a full day of service. The maximum salary for an individual teacher that may be included in computing eligible costs for any calendar day is 6 hours, or one full day, of salary.
11. Instructional assistant costs for services that allow students with disabilities to participate in general education programs may be included in computing eligible summer school costs.
12. Costs for respite care programs that do not include educational services may not be included in computing eligible summer school costs.
13. State support for programs that fulfill the requirements of IEPs (extended school year programs) is provided in the school funding formula, and costs for these programs may not be included in computing eligible summer school costs.

¹With regards to applications for waivers of the average enrollment figure involving special education programs that are segregated - General Counsel for the DOE has advised that federal law prohibits the use of a State-funding mechanism that has the effect of segregating students with disabilities from their peers without disabilities based upon the type of program rather than individual needs. 20 U.S.C. §1412(a)(5), Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), P.L. 105-17.

